House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who have retired from the field of education; and

Whereas, the De Soto School District lost a valuable member of its faculty on May 11, 2005, with the retirement of Susan Welker who devoted several years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an English and art teacher; and

Whereas, Susan Welker taught for three years at De Soto Senior High School, where she was held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrated considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Susan Welker touched the lives of countless youngsters by helping them form a solid educational foundation upon which to build in the future; and

Whereas, Susan Welker watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, so many young Missourians have left the classrooms of De Soto Senior High School fully prepared to face the challenges ahead as a result of the outstanding professional endeavors of Susan Welker; and

Whereas, Susan Welker leaves her duties and responsibilities at De Soto Senior High School with tremendous satisfaction that she had always given more than one hundred percent to assure each student the best education possible:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join the De Soto School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Susan Welker rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Susan Welker, as a measure of our esteem for her.

| Offered by |
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| Representative Margaret Donnelly |
| District No. 73 |
| I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No, adopted, 2005. |
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| Rod Jetton, Speaker |